## **REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

Claims 1-21 were originally submitted.

Claims 11-21 are withdrawn without prejudice per the Restriction Requirement of this communication.

Claims 1-10 remain in this application.

## **Non-Compliant Amendments**

The Office Communication indicates that the amendments to the claims are non-compliant. A newly submitted claim listing is provided with this response addressing the non-compliant issues. In particular, previously amended versions are identified in the claim listing.

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## CONCLUSION

All pending claims 1-10 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the subject application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner or Office is urged to contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action or Communication.

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